

## Department of Pesticide Regulation

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## MEMORANDUM

TO:

Alan C. Lloyd, Chair

Air Resources Board

FROM:

Paul H. Gosselin

Acting Director

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DATE:

August 30, 2004

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT MONITORING FOR 2005

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Pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code section 14022(c), the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) requests that the Air Resources Board (ARB) monitor for the following pesticides in 2005:

Acrolein

- 1,3-Dichloropropene
- Methyl bromide
- Sulfuryl fluoride

We are requesting application-site monitoring for acrolein because it has moderate pesticidal use and high volatility. In addition, both ARB and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) have an interest in the nonpesticidal exposures to acrolein. This monitoring will help give all agencies a more complete picture of the overall risk. Based on discussions with ARB's Monitoring and Laboratory Division staff, monitoring should be limited to preliminary sampling to estimate the range of concentrations and determine the suitability of current methodology or the need to develop new methodology. If an acceptable method can be developed and preliminary monitoring data warrant, ARB would conduct a full study in 2006.

We are requesting ambient monitoring for 1,3-dichloropropene because use patterns have changed significantly since the last monitoring, and the last monitoring was not conducted in areas of the highest use. We are also requesting limited application-site monitoring for 1,3-dichloropropene. DPR plans to conduct application-site monitoring for 1,3-dichloropropene using charcoal tubes. Previous monitoring indicates that air concentrations measured with charcoal tubes may differ from those measured with canisters. We would like ARB staff to analyze canister samples collected side-by-side with DPR's charcoal tubes to better estimate the difference between the methods.

Since methyl bromide can be determined simultaneously, we would like ARB staff to include it during the ambient 1,3-dichloropropene monitoring. However, no monitoring targeted specifically for methyl bromide is necessary.

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We are requesting monitoring for sulfuryl fluoride because DPR may soon register this pesticide as a postharvest commodity fumigant. This use is significantly different from the structural fumigations ARB has monitored in the past. In addition, the registrant may change the method of application for structural fumigations and conduct air monitoring. Since the methodology for this pesticide is complicated and method performance can vary, DPR may need ARB to conduct quality control checks for the registrant monitoring and/or monitor commodity fumigations.

DPR will recommend the number, location, and time of the monitoring after evaluating the 2003 pesticide use reports. It is likely DPR will recommend monitoring one or two applications each for acrolein and sulfuryl fluoride, as well as ambient monitoring for 1,3-dichloropropene and methyl bromide.

Based on a preliminary assessment of the toxicology data, DPR requests the following target quantitation limits:

Acrolein  $0.7 \mu g/m^3$ 1,3-Dichloropropene  $0.5 \mu g/m^3$ Methyl bromide  $0.1 \mu g/m^3$ Sulfuryl fluoride  $30.0 \mu g/m^3$ 

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me, or John Sanders, of my staff, at (916) 324-4100.

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Department of Pesticide Regulation

FROM:

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Executive Officer
Air Resources Board

DATE:

September 15, 2004

SUBJECT:

TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT MONITORING FOR 2005

Your October 30, 2004 memorandum on proposed monitoring for toxic air contaminants under Food and Agriculture Code 14022(c), requested that ARB conduct monitoring for the following compounds in 2005: acrolein, 1,3-dichloropropene, methyl bromide, and sulfuryl fluoride.

General information on the selection process for the above listed compounds, on the types of monitoring (i.e., structural fumigation, commodity chamber fumigation, agricultural application, or ambient), and on the target quantitation limits are included in the memo and have been reviewed by ARB staff. The sampling and analytical methods for 1,3-dichloropropene, methyl bromide and sulfuryl fluoride were used for monitoring conducted previously for the DPR. Sampling and analytical methodology for acrolein will be evaluated during preliminary monitoring conducted in 2005. We understand that if an acceptable method can be developed, and preliminary data warrant, a full study would be conducted in 2006.

Per your memorandum, DPR will recommend the number, location and time of the monitoring after evaluating the 2003 pesticide use reports. It is likely that DPR will recommend monitoring one to two applications each for acrolein and sulfuryl fluoride, as well as ambient monitoring for 1,3-dichloropropene and methyl bromide. No breakdown products will be monitored.

In 2005 we will work with DPR staff and make every effort to complete the requested monitoring for acrolein, 1,3-dichloropropene, methyl bromide, and sulfuryl fluoride. If you or your staff have any questions or concerns please contact William V. Loscutoff at (916) 445-3742 or via e-mail at wloscuto@arb.ca.gov.

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